



The INFORMANT

Integrity - Service Before Self - Excellence In All We Do

Teen Smart and Deployed Bowling have been canceled for the month of May

May 2012

Airman & Family Readiness Center—Front Desk — 257-3592 -- All classes are in classroom 244, Bldg. 2, Area A, unless otherwise noted.

Family Services

Family Services exists to assist military members and their families by assisting them in numerous ways. 1. Family Services provides assistance to troops and their families experiencing financial difficulties after they have seen and Airman and Family Readiness technician and all military relief organizations have been exhausted. 2. Family Services provides support with furniture needs through the Airman's Attic which is for E-4's and below. 3. The Loan Closet can loan, free of charge basic household items for short term use for anyone holding DoD ID. The closet's PRIMARY USE is for PCS moves. 4. Another way Family Services assist our troops is through Grocery Assistance and the Pantry. Grocery assistance is done on a case by case basis. Items available through the pantry are non food items for personal hygiene. 5. Operation Stork provides layettes to all newborns at WPAPB, delivering them twice weekly to the base hospital. For more information call (937) 257-2910.

The Discovery Room

The A&FRC Discovery Room (DR) is your source for finding your future! Equipped with four Smart Card accessible computers and printers (three non-Smart Card computers are available in the A&FRC lobby), the DR has everything you need for conducting your job search. The DR also features a vast listing of current job openings provided by local employers, books which can be signed out to enhance your knowledge of: Career Planning, Interviewing, Conducting Job Searches, Life Strategies, Military Life, Spouse Employment, Resume Writing, and Transition. The Staff at the A&FRC will also assist you in all areas concerning discovering and making a brighter future a reality. Hours of operation are: Mon – Fri, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Military Family Life Consultant

The Military Family Life Consultant (MFLC) program provides non-medical short-term, situational, problem-solving counseling services to address issues that occur across the military lifestyle and help service members and their families cope with normal reactions to stressful and often adverse situations created by deployments and reintegration. MFLC provides outreach services that expand capabilities to address needs of Airmen and their families and can be a bridge to other services available on or off base. This program is free and totally anonymous; no records are kept. Call 608-4048 to schedule an appointment.

Marketing Yourself for a Second Career

The Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) is sponsoring a seminar entitled "Marketing Yourself for a Second Career", on Wednesday, May 16, 2012 from 0830 – 1100 hours at the Base Theater, Building 1239, in the Kitty Hawk Center. Colonel Dan Koslov, USAF (RET), Deputy Director, Officer Placement Service for MOAA, an expert on transitioning from the military to civilian employment, will be presenting this seminar for interested Officers, NCOs and spouses. This lecture is presented annually at over 150 U.S. military bases worldwide. It include comprehensive information on resumes, cover letters, job search, networking, career fairs, interview techniques, salary negotiation, benefits packages, the current job market and other relevant transition topics. It is up-to-date, hard-hitting and sharply focused. It has a reputation as a "must attend" for those 1 – 3 years or less from separation or retirement. Military members and their spouses are highly encouraged to attend. All who attend will receive a free copy of the publication "Marketing Yourself for a Second Career." To register for the seminar, please contact Leon Collins at the Airman and Family Readiness Center at 257-6437.

Personal Financial Readiness

All services are available on a walk-in basis. Please bring any financial documents (LES, bank statements, bills, etc) that are relevant to your specific financial situation. They can assist with the following: setting financial goals, budgets, credit management, investment basics, Air Force Aid Emergency Assistance, and referrals. We are happy to assist you however possible so please do not hesitate to ask. **Please bring in your LES, bank statement, bills, etc. when you come in for assistance** as it will enable the staff to provide you with a more accurate assessment of your needs.

Air Force Aid Society

HQ AFAS has implemented a new On-line Emergency Assistance Application process when applying for a Standard or Falcon Loan. All Air Force Active Duty/Spouse, Retired, ANG/AF Reserves, Widow/Widower with internet access and an email address will be able to apply for AFAS assistance using the new AFAS Online Application by registering & completing the application. Once you've completed the online application, please come in to the Airman and Family Readiness Center. Bring all necessary documentation (LES, Rent receipt, Utility bill, Repair invoice, etc.) to process the application.

<https://my.afas.org/memberportal/Login/Login.aspx>



"E" Sponsorship Training/Sponsorship Training

Sponsorship training is required for anyone be assigned as a sponsor. All of the resources for training and post training tools and information are available through this online resource. "E" Sponsorship Application & Training: <http://apps.mhf.dod.mil/esat>. The online application provides: registration for you and your newcomer---training and certificate for your files---Sponsorship Duty Checklist---Newcomer and Family Needs Assessment---Congratulations and Welcome Letter templates and packages---links to important DoD and service moving websites.

Volunteer to Make a Difference

Volunteering is a fantastic way to make a difference in your military and local communities. The Airman and Family Readiness team is always looking for motivated volunteers to help with our evening and weekend workshops, the Airman's Attic, and other worthwhile causes. If you are not already involved in some form of volunteer effort and would like some guidance in getting started, or to determine where your talents could be best utilized, give us a call.

Teen Smart

It is never too early for teens to learn about financial responsibility. And, the tools in this workshop are designed with your teen in mind. Teen Smart is an interactive class enabling teens to discuss credit, cell phones and contracts, smart money choices and even identity theft. Teens won't want to miss this or the special gift they will receive. Not to mention - Pizza is on the menu. This workshop is scheduled for 16 August and 16 October, from 5:30-7:30p.m.

Pre-Deployment Briefing

This briefing is held every Monday morning from 10:00 – 10:45 a.m. at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. This briefing is **mandatory** for all Wright-Patt deployers.

Smooth Move

PCSing? Our next Smooth Move classes are scheduled for 17 May, 7 June and 19 July from 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., Building 2, Area A.

KIDS ON THE MOVE

Kids on the Move workshop is for kids 5-12 years of age. This informal workshop is designed to address relocation issues with the kids in a relaxed and fun environment and to recognize any feelings they may have about the move. Food and drinks will be provided. This event will be held on 30 May, from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m., at the Airman and Family Readiness Center. Call the A&FRC today to register at 257-3592.

Transition Assistance Program (TAP) and Executive TAP (ETAP is for E-9's & O6 and above)

All TAP/ETAPs are held in the A&FRC Classroom 244, Bldg 2, Area A, GATE 1A. This 3 ½ day Transition Assistance Program (TAP) workshop is designed to assist our military transition into the civilian workforce. Discussions will cover resume writing, interviewing skills, job search, and more. Whether you are retiring or separating this class is geared to your needs. **Our classes fill up fast, so call early to reserve your seat.** Upcoming dates for TAP's are as follows: 1-4, 8-11, 22-24 May (Due to the AFMC Family Day on 25 May, the VA Benefits portion of Tap will be held on 1 June), 5-8, 19-22, 26-29 June, 10-13 July, 7-10, 21-26 August. **ETAP is scheduled for 24-27 July.** The classes run from Tuesday - Friday, and begin at 8:00 a.m.

HeartLink

Are you a new Military spouse? Being thrust into a new and much different culture can be challenging. It can leave you feeling unsure of what's available, where to go and overwhelmed. Or are you a veteran spouse that could just use a "Good Refresher"? Come join our Team at the Airman & Family Readiness Center for a day filled with fun filled information! Free Daycare and Provided and Door Prizes Awarded. The next **Heartlink Workshop will be held on 15 May from 8:00am-3:00pm at the Airman and Family Readiness center, building 2.**

Federal Resume Writing

The resume writing course focuses on the unique and sometimes confusing world of federal job applications and resumes. This class will provide with the necessary tools to make your resume and application complete and competitive. Classes are scheduled for 16 May, 12 June, 18 July and 15 August. The time for the workshops is 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Call to Register.

Bundles for Babies

Are you an expectant parent? Then this workshop is a must. Upcoming dates are: 13 June and 01 August from 1:30-4:15p.m. Open to both active duty and their spouse or significant other. You will receive information on the Pediatric Clinic, New Parent programs, Family Day Care and more. Please call to sign up.

Alzheimer's - Know the 10 Signs

1 in 8 older Americans has Alzheimer's disease. Join us for an informational session from the Miami Valley Alzheimer Association on what the 10 Signs are on the disease. 15 Jun 2012 @ 1:00—3:00pm in our classroom in building 2. Call to sign up today.

Understanding Credit Reports and Scores

Have you actually read the small print of a credit application? And how does all of the information in your credit report impact your credit? Also, how does your credit score impact your credit? Get the answers to many of your credit questions and arm yourself with the tools to protect your good name at this briefing. Attendees can receive free access to the FICO score. This Workshop is scheduled for 13 June, 20 August, and 15 November, from 11:00a.m. - 1:00p.m.

Identity Theft, Schemes, Scams and Being a Smart Consumer

If you have ever wondered if an advertised offer was too good to be true, this is the briefing for you. Schemes and Scams is a nuts and bolts approach to protect yourself from scammers targeting you in various ways. Not only will you walk away with the right tools for your consumer toolbox, but each attendee receives a special gift. This Workshop is being held on 17 July, 25 September and 03 December from 11:00a.m.-1:00p.m. Call to register!

Buying a New Home

One of the biggest investments you will ever make is your home. However, the home buying process can be an overwhelming experience with long contracts, fine print, banks, and realtors. Also, learn how to avoid losing your home by adding the confidence of knowledge and attend this briefing. Upcoming dates are 25 June, 04 September and 21 November from 11:00a.m. - 1:00p.m.

Planning and Investing in Retirement for All Ages

Retirement may seem a long way off or maybe you are hoping it is just around the corner. Investing in the proper tools early can make all the difference. Attend this briefing and get the information you need on resources like special military retirement programs, Thrift Savings Plans, IRAs, 401(k) plans and much more! Each attendee receives a special gift. Upcoming dates are 07 May, 31 July and 12 October from 11:00a.m. - 1:00p.m.

Reunion & Reintegration

R & R classes are held every Tuesday and Thursday, with the exception of Holidays. R&R starts at 7:30a.m. in the A&FRC classroom. No registration required. R&R is mandatory for all returning deployers.

Deployed Spouses Support Group

Is your spouse deployed or about to deploy? Regardless of whether this is your 1st or 10th deployment, this forum is for you so don't miss out; contact us NOW to reserve your spot! Open discussion with other deployed spouses. Education! Information! Connect with others going through the "Same Thing at the Same Time!" The next scheduled meetings of the DSSG will be 31 May, 28 June, 26 July and 23 August from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Surviving Divorce Seminar

Are you going through a Divorce? Do you have a million questions? Join us for a Seminar that will help answer many of the questions you might have! Talk to a Military Family Life Consultant, Legal Attorney, First Sergeant, an Airman & Family Readiness Representative, HealthNet Representative, Personal Affairs Officer, and a Family Advocacy Representative. When: May 18^h 0900-1500, Where: Airman & Family Readiness, Bldg 2, classroom 244. How to Reserve a Seat: **Call 257-4608 to register.**



Families of Deployed Warriors Bowling

Get out and knock some pins down. For the families of our deployed warriors, this monthly event is held at the Kittyhawk Lanes. You get two games of bowling, shoes and your choice of pizza and a drink for only \$5.50, or a hotdog, fries and a drink for \$5. Upcoming dates for deployed bowling are as follows: 16 June, 21 July and 18 August, from 5:30 to 7:30p.m. at the Kittyhawk Lanes. ***Please contact the front desk at 257-3592 if you plan on attending.***

Relocation Assistance

RELOCATION – Ready Set Move! Airman & Family Readiness Center provides incoming and outgoing relocation services to the Total Force, which includes civilians, and contractors who are relocating within the continental U.S. (CONUS) or outside the continental U.S (OCONUS). Whether you're moving overseas or across the country, you'll want to get to know your new community outside the gate. Call or stop in for more information.

School Liaison Officer (SLO)

Wright-Patt's School Liaison Officer is available full-time at the Airman & Family Readiness Center, Bldg. 2, Area A, Room 239. The SLO coordinates and assists school-aged children and youth of base military families with educational opportunities and information necessary to achieve academic success. Working in partnership with existing base programs/initiatives her role is to: 1) Help identify, communicate (inform base leadership), and seek resolution concerning issues/barriers to academic success by encouraging relationships between school, military families, installation, and community; 2) Promote the importance of parent involvement to Air Force military members (during registration/transitions/deployments) of school-aged children in their student's education; 3) Develop programs/provide training to help teachers, counselors, principals, superintendents, and coaches better understand the unique needs/gifts of the military child/family; and 4) support on-going base educational/recreational programs and training initiatives designed to enhance the military family life-style. **For more information, contact the School Liaison Officer at 656-0942.

Pre-Separation Counseling

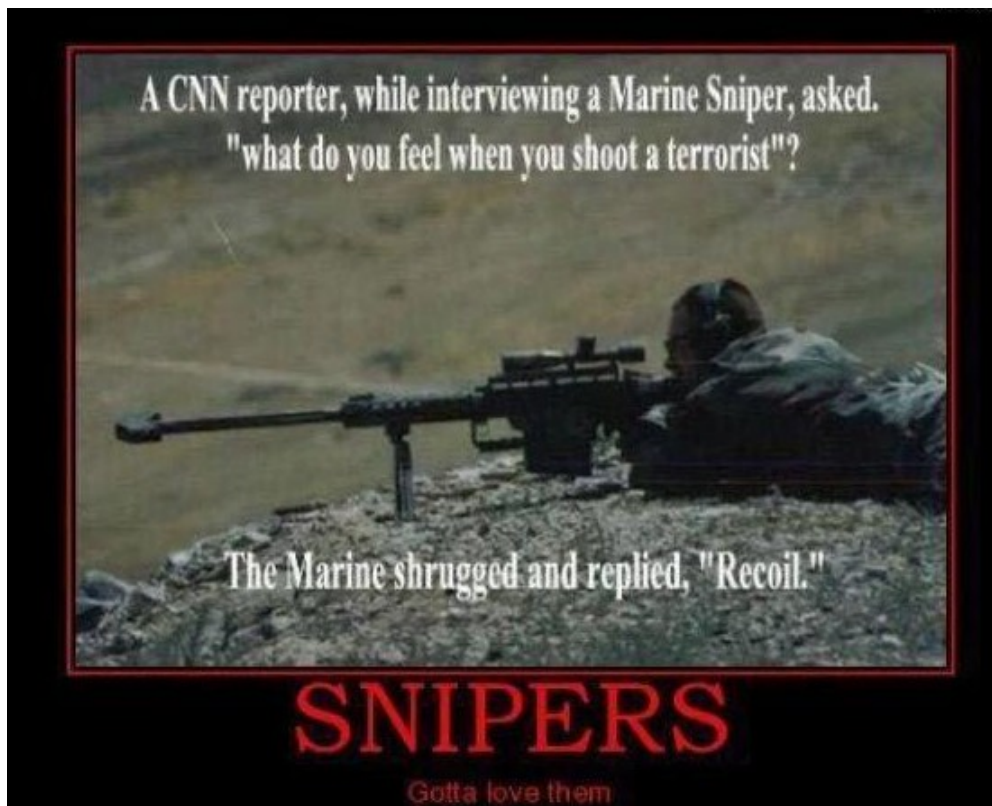
Pre-Separation Counseling is mandated by Congress and is to be completed no later than 90 days before separation or retirement. The Airman and Family Readiness Center conducts "Mass Briefing Pre Separation Counseling's every Monday at 1:00p.m., with the exception of Holidays and the last two Mondays in December. Registration is not required. **The DD Form 2648 is required for outprocessing.** Pre-Sep's are also conducted on a Walk in Basis.

Employment Services

The Airman and Family Readiness Center offers a Career Focus Program for military spouses, active duty members and their dependants, as well as DOD civilians. Services include job application and resume assistance, job referrals, career counseling and planning, interview preparation, educational information, and career/personal development work-shops. A resource room with personal computers and a job vacancy referral board are also available. No appointment is necessary.

Exceptional Family Member Program - Family Support

This program is designed to give information to military families with members in need of special assistance. The EFMP Coordinator provides resources from local, state/county, and federal agencies, both educational and medical to accommodate the special needs member and their family. Please contact the EFMP Coordinator at 656-0946 for more information. No appointment is necessary.





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 Bldg 2, Area A 937-257-3592
 Mon-Fri 7:30am-4:30pm Closed Sat, Sun & Federal Holidays

May 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 R&R 0745-0900 TAP 0800-1700	2 TAP 0800-1700	3 R&R 0745-0900 TAP 0800-1700	4 TAP 0800-1700	5
6	7 Pre Deployment brief 1000-1100 Planning & Investing for All Ages 1100-1300 Pre Separation Counseling 1300-1400	8 R&R 0745-0900 TAP 0800-1700	9 TAP 0800-1700	10 R&R 0745-0900 TAP 0800-1700	11 TAP 0800-1700	12
13	14 Pre Deployment brief 1000-1100 Pre Separation Counseling 1300-1400	15 R&R 0745-0900 Heart Link 0800-1500 Teen Smart 1730-1930	16 Federal Resume Writing 1300-1500	17 R&R 0745-0900 Smooth Move 1400-1600	18	19 Deployed Bowling 1730-1930
29	21 Pre Deployment brief 1000-1100 Pre Separation Counseling 1300-1400	22 R&R 0745-0900 TAP 0800-1700	23 TAP 0800-1700	24 R&R 0745-0900 TAP 0800-1700	25 TAP 0800-1700	26
27	28 Memorial Day/AFRC Closed	29 R&R 0745-0900	30 Kids on the Move 1730-1900	31 R&R 0745-0900 Deployed Spouses Support Group 1730-1930		

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June 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 VA Benefits/ TRICARE 0800- 1430	2
3	4 Pre Deployment brief 1000-1100 Pre Separation Coun- seling 1300-1400	5 R&R 0745-0900 TAP 0800-1700	6 TAP 0800-1700	7 R&R 0745-0900 TAP 0800-1700 Smooth Move 1400-1600	8 TAP 0800-1700	9
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17	18 Pre Deployment brief 1000-1100 Pre Separation Coun- seling 1300-1400	19 R&R 0745-0900 TAP 0800-1700	20 TAP 0800-1700	21 R&R 0745-0900 TAP 0800-1700	22 TAP 0800-1700	23
24	25 Pre Deployment brief 1000-1100 Buying a New Home 1100-1300 Pre Separation Coun- seling 1300-1400	26 R&R 0745-0900 TAP 0800-1700	27 TAP 0800-1700	28 R&R 0745-0900 TAP 0800-1700 Deployed Spouses Support Group 1730-1930	29 TAP 0800-1700	30

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